## FIRE FIGHTERS' AND POLICE OFFICERS' CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION

#### **CITY OF HOUSTON**

#### **EXAMINATION ANNOUNCEMENT FOR**

# THE POSITION OF

# **POLICE TRAINEE**

## **HOUSTON POLICE DEPARTMENT**

SALARY:

Base pay of \$1056.70 Bi-weekly.

QUALIFICATIONS FOR ELIGIBILITY TO TAKE TEST:

Applicants must have sixty (60) semester hours from an accredited college or university with a 2.0 GPA or above in a 4.0 system (or the equivalent) or military service with an honorable discharge as stipulated on a DD214.

Must be at least twenty-one (21) years of age at the end of their probationary period and less than thirty-six (36) years of age before receiving the oath of office. Age requirements will be waived for applicants with five (5) years of active military or police experience who will not reach their 45<sup>th</sup> birthday before taking oath of office.

The exam will be open to candidates who have made a proper application and have met the requirements of Chapter 143 of the Local Government Code for beginning positions in the police department which are listed in the Police Application.

**DUTIES:** 

- Receives, participates in and demonstrates acceptable proficiency in various types of training and techniques in law enforcement activities such as defensive tactics, weapon use and care, etc.
- Acquires understanding and working knowledge of the Texas Penal Code, the Code
  of Criminal Procedure, the Houston Police Department General Orders and municipal
  ordinances.
- Enforces the Penal Code, Family Code and City Ordinances to maintain a safe environment.

**APPLICATION TO TAKE TEST:** 

Applications for the examination must be filed with a copy of your DD214 (Member-4) (if applicable) with the **Human Resources Department**, **611 Walker**, **ground level by 4:30 p.m.**, **Wednesday April 27**, **2005**.

DATE AND TIME OF EXAMINATION:

The examination will be given at 10:00 a.m. Monday, May 9, 2005 at the George R. Brown Convention Center, 1001 Avenida de las Americas, Exhibit Hall A. Bring your driver's license or other photo ID and a copy of your DD214 (Member-4) if applicable.

NOTE:

- 1. The minimum passing score is 70 percent on the written examination before the extra five (5) points for qualified veterans are added.
- 2. Per Chapter 143.025 of the Tex. Loc. Gov't Code, an additional five points shall be added to the examination grade of an applicant who served in the United States armed forces, received an honorable discharge, and made a passing grade on the examination. Applicants who are eligible for extra military points must provide a copy of their DD214 (Member 4) to the Human Resources Department with their application to receive these points. The DD214 (Member 4) will be subject to later Police Department verification.
- 3. An applicant may not take the examination for a particular eligibility list more than once.
- 4. The eligibility list created as a result of this examination will be effective for a period of not less than 6 months or more than 12 months as determined by the Police Officers' Civil Service Commission.
- An eligibility list for the position of Police Trainee currently exists. That list will expire or be exhausted prior to using eligible names from the exam being announced.
- 6. Passing applicants will be referred to the Houston Police Department to continue processing. Any falsification in the application process will result in disqualification. Applicants must pass all phases of the recruiting process.
- 7. Applicants' eligibility for hiring will be determined in rank order from the eligibility list.

DATE OF ANNOUNCEMENT:

March 18, 2005

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